

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2004 - 0017

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR,
ACCEPT, AND/OR AMEND A FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA) SECTION
319(h) GRANT AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF CONTRACTS AND
AMENDMENTS FOR SUPPORT OF THE NONPOINT SOURCE (NPS) PROGRAM

WHEREAS:

1. The federal CWA section 319(h) provides grant funds for states to implement NPS management programs;
2. The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) is the designated State agency in California to administer the NPS Program;
3. In November 2001, the SWRCB adopted its Strategic Plan, which identifies the implementation of a Watershed Management Initiative (WMI) as an ongoing high priority initiative, and the coordination of many SWRCB and Regional Water Quality Control Board activities under the WMI;
4. On December 14, 1999, and January 11, 2000, the SWRCB and the California Coastal Commission, respectively, approved the *Plan for California's Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program* (NPS Program Plan), which includes activities the State will undertake to control NPS pollution;
5. On July 11, 2000, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration approved California's NPS Program Plan;
6. USEPA has notified the SWRCB that the federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2004 CWA section 319(h) grant allocation of approximately \$13,000,000 will be available to the State;
7. In March 2003, SWRCB's Division of Financial Assistance distributed a consolidated Request for Concept Proposals (RFCP) soliciting grant-funded NPS and Watershed projects;
8. The SWRCB released the consolidated Request for Full Proposals (RFFP) in August 2003 to solicit full proposals from the most competitive Concept Proposal applicants for NPS and Watershed grant funds;
9. The proposals were reviewed, ranked, and approved using the WMI process in accordance with the RFCP and RFFP specifications; and
10. The proposals to be funded with the 319 grant will be reviewed for grant and contract readiness and presented to the SWRCB once the grant is received.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE SWRCB:

1. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to apply for, accept, and amend, as necessary, a FFY 2004 CWA section 319(h) grant for an amount up to \$13,000,000 for support of the NPS Program;
2. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and approve program workplans; and
3. Authorizes the issuance of contracts, grant agreements, and amendments that support the NPS Program.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on April 22, 2004.


Debbie Irvin
Clerk to the Board